

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

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EMPIRE HOME SERVICES, L.L.C.,

Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant,

v.

Case No. 05-CV-72584-DT

EMPIRE IRON WORKS, INC.,

Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff.

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**ORDER DENYING “MOTION FOR PERMISSION FOR FOREIGN ATTORNEY TO  
APPEAR PRO HAC VICE”**

Pending before the court is a “Motion for Permission for Foreign Attorney to Appear Pro Hac Vice,” filed by Douglas A. Rubel of Johanson Berenson LLP, individually, and by David H. Aldrich of Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C., on February 23, 2006. A response was filed the same day by Defendant Empire Iron Works, Inc. Having reviewed the briefs, the court concludes a hearing is unnecessary. See E.D. Mich. LR 7.1(e)(2). The court will deny the motion.

In his motion, Douglas A. Rubel seeks permission to appear *pro hac vice* in this matter. The court will deny his request. First, Mr. Rubel’s motion was not accompanied by a brief, as is required under the local rules. See E.D. Mich. LR 7.1(c)(1)(A). More importantly, *pro hac vice* admission is not permitted in this district. See E.D. Mich. LR 83.20(c)(1). If Mr. Rubel desires to represent Plaintiff in this case, he must comply with

the procedures for admission set forth in Eastern District of Michigan Local Rule 83.20(d).<sup>1</sup> Accordingly,

Douglas A. Rubel's "Motion for Permission for Foreign Attorney to Appear Pro Hac Vice" [Dkt. # 28] is DENIED.

S/Robert H. Cleland  
ROBERT H. CLELAND  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: February 28, 2006

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was mailed to counsel of record on this date, February 28, 2006, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

S/Lisa Wagner  
Case Manager and Deputy Clerk  
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<sup>1</sup> By inference, the court thinks one of the reasons this District has not permitted *pro hac vice* admission is the concern that *pro hac* attorneys would have little motivation to read or understand the Local Rules. An understanding of the Rules would have avoided the need for the instant motion.